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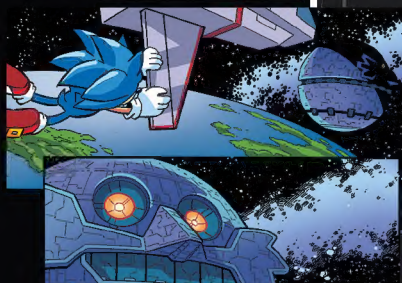
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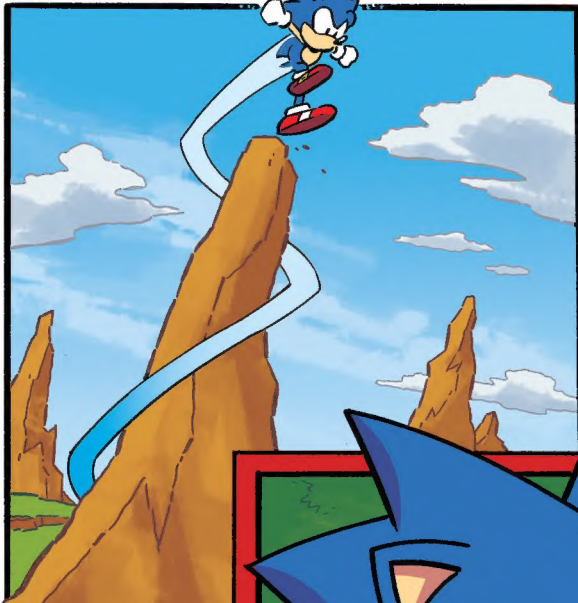
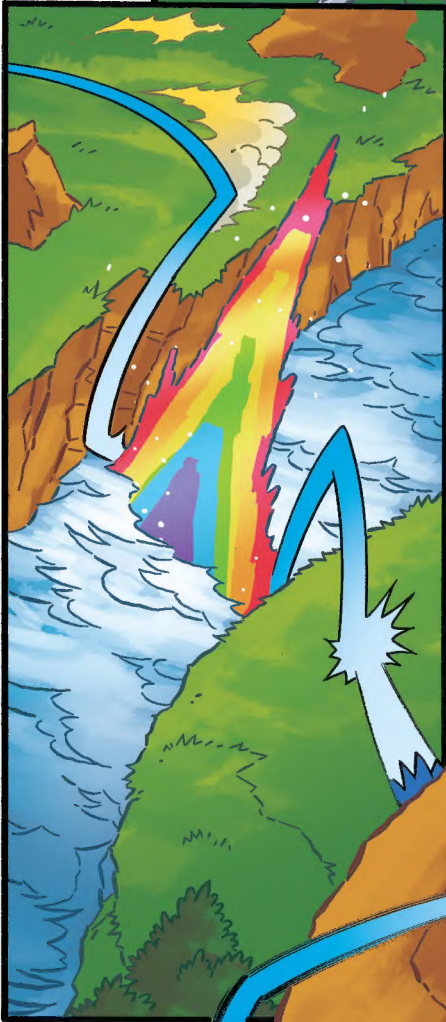
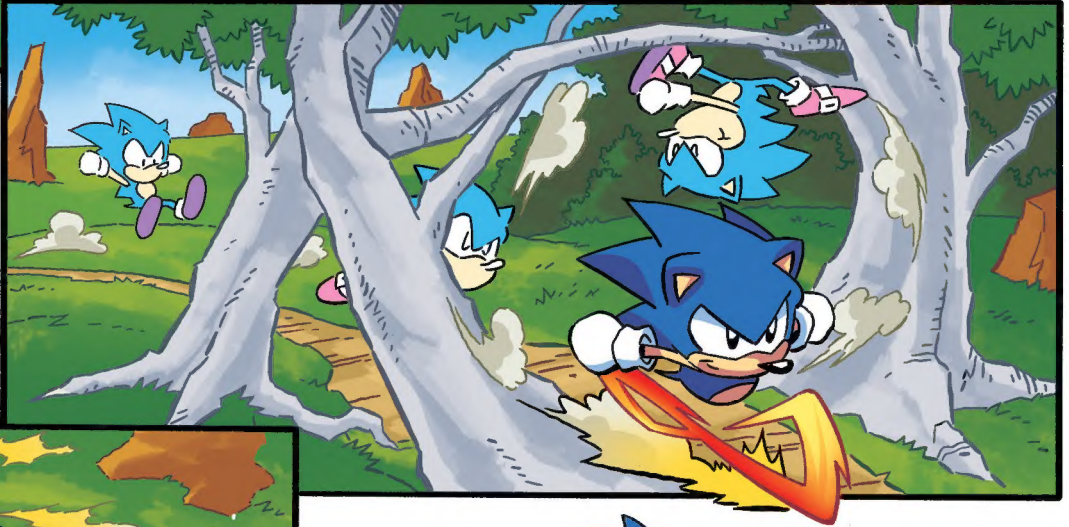
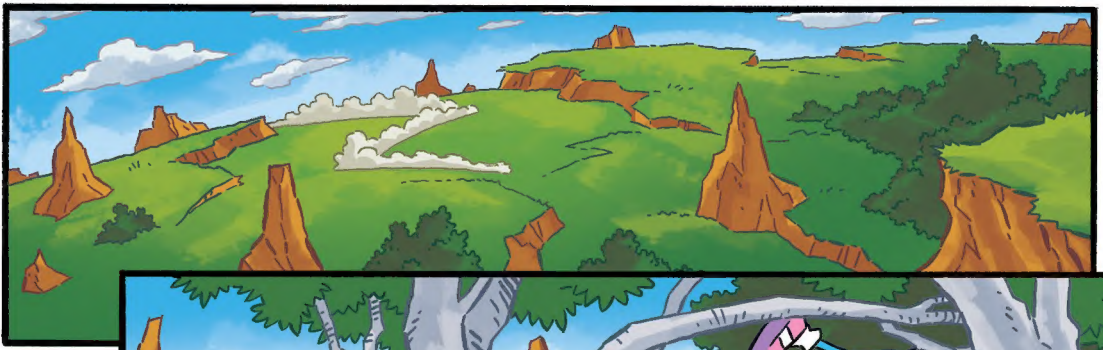
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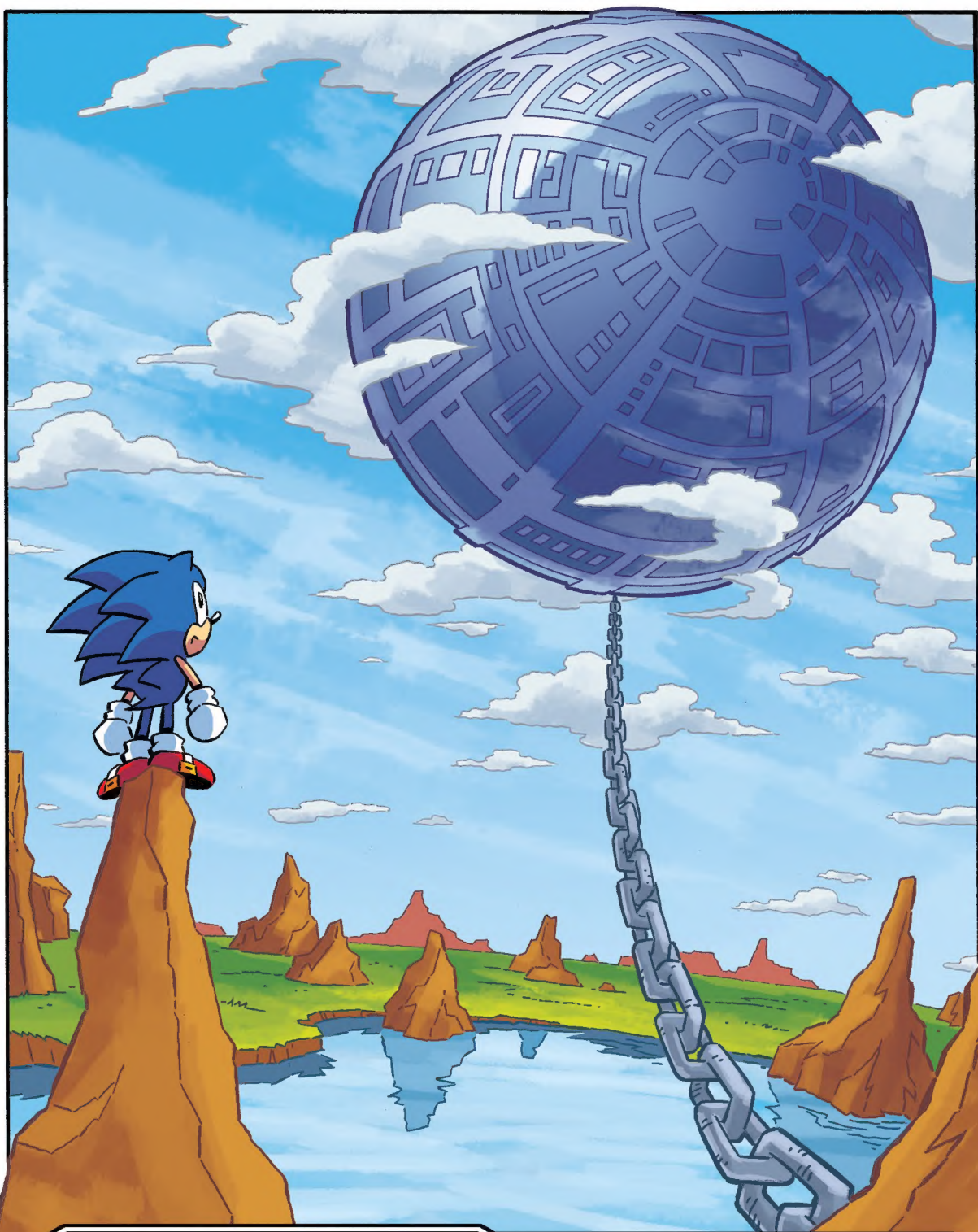
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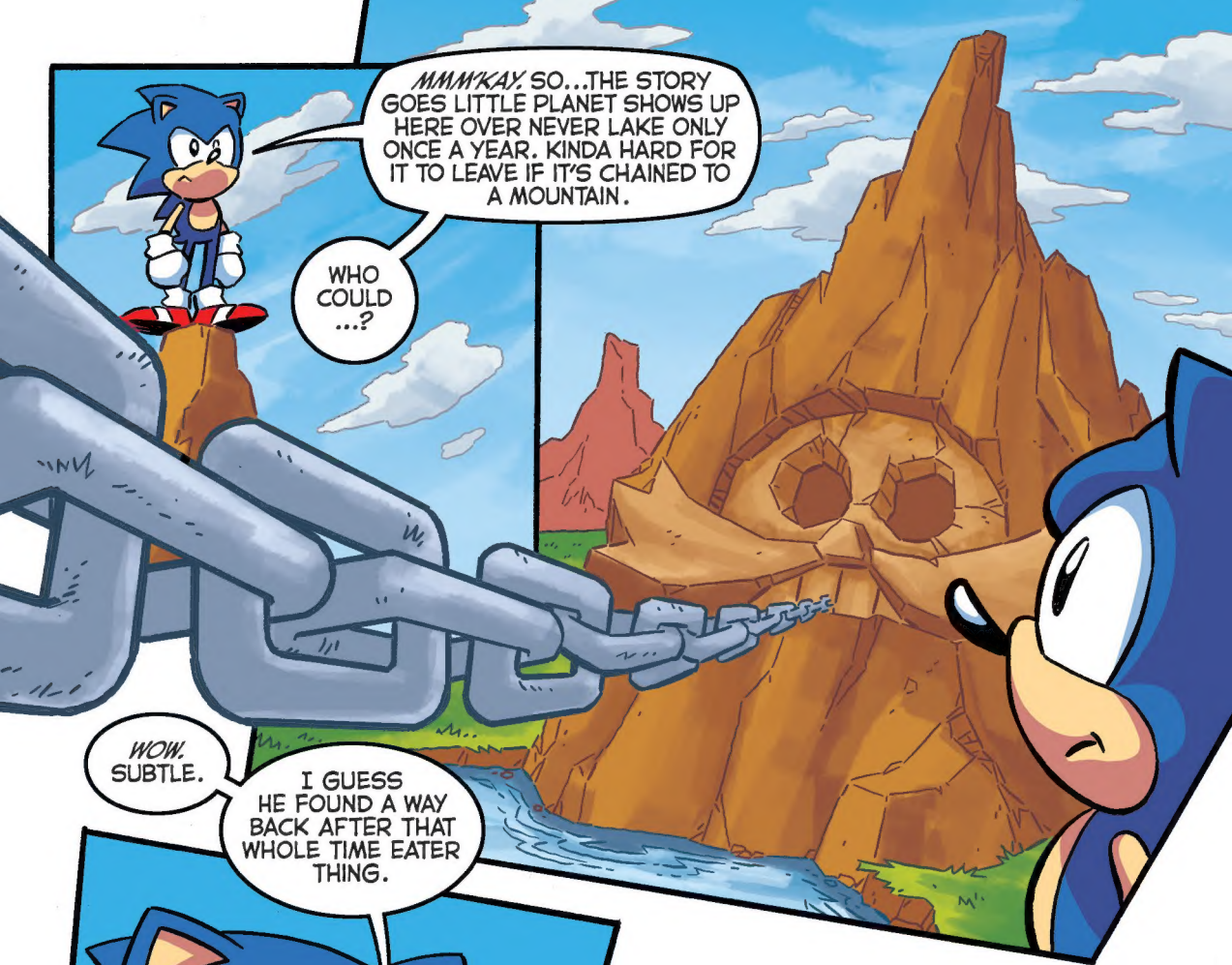


# GENESIS OF A HERO

## Part Three: SONIC'S CEASE & DESIST

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MMM'KAY. SO...THE STORY GOES LITTLE PLANET SHOWS UP HERE OVER NEVER LAKE ONLY ONCE A YEAR. KINDA HARD FOR IT TO LEAVE IF IT'S CHAINED TO A MOUNTAIN.

WHO COULD ...?

WOW. SUBTLE.

I GUESS HE FOUND A WAY BACK AFTER THAT WHOLE TIME EATER THING.

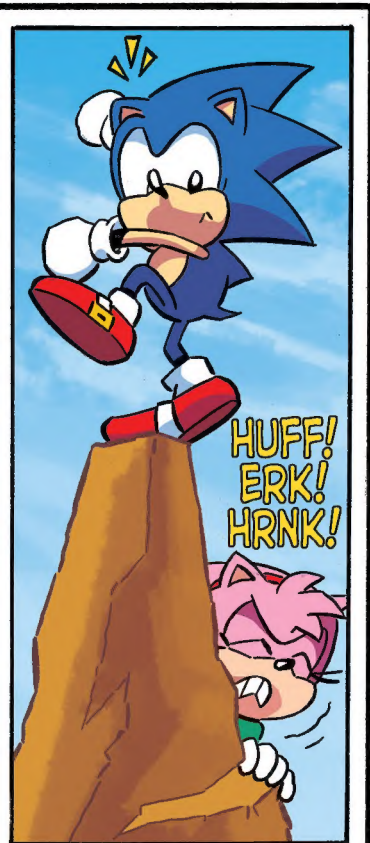


I WISH I REMEMBERED MORE OF THAT ADVENTURE. I FEEL LIKE I'M FORGETTING A HECK OF A PARTY.

OH, WELL! TIME TO KICK SOME EGG-PANTS!

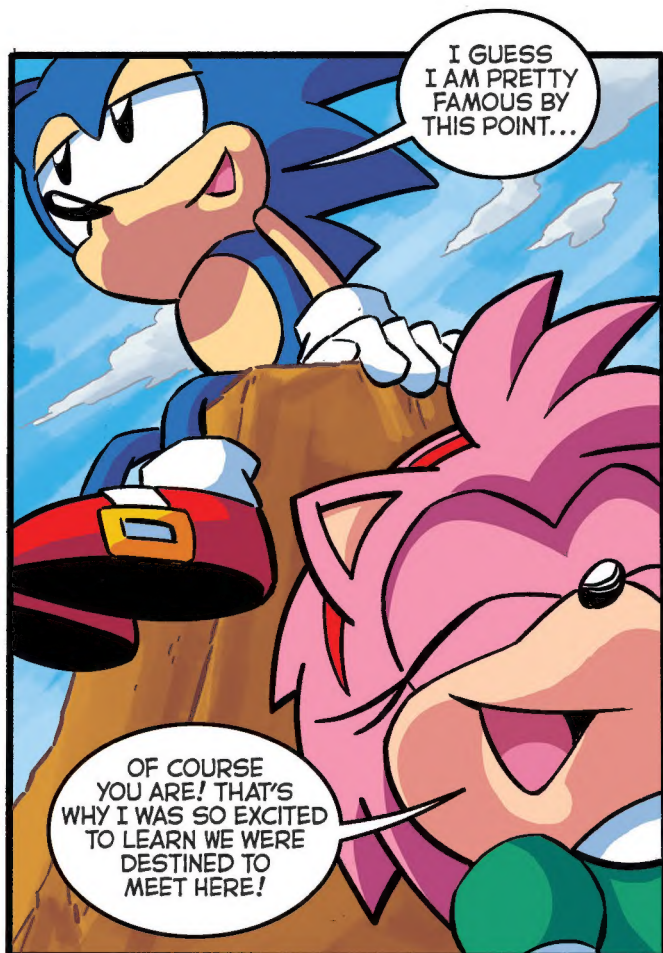


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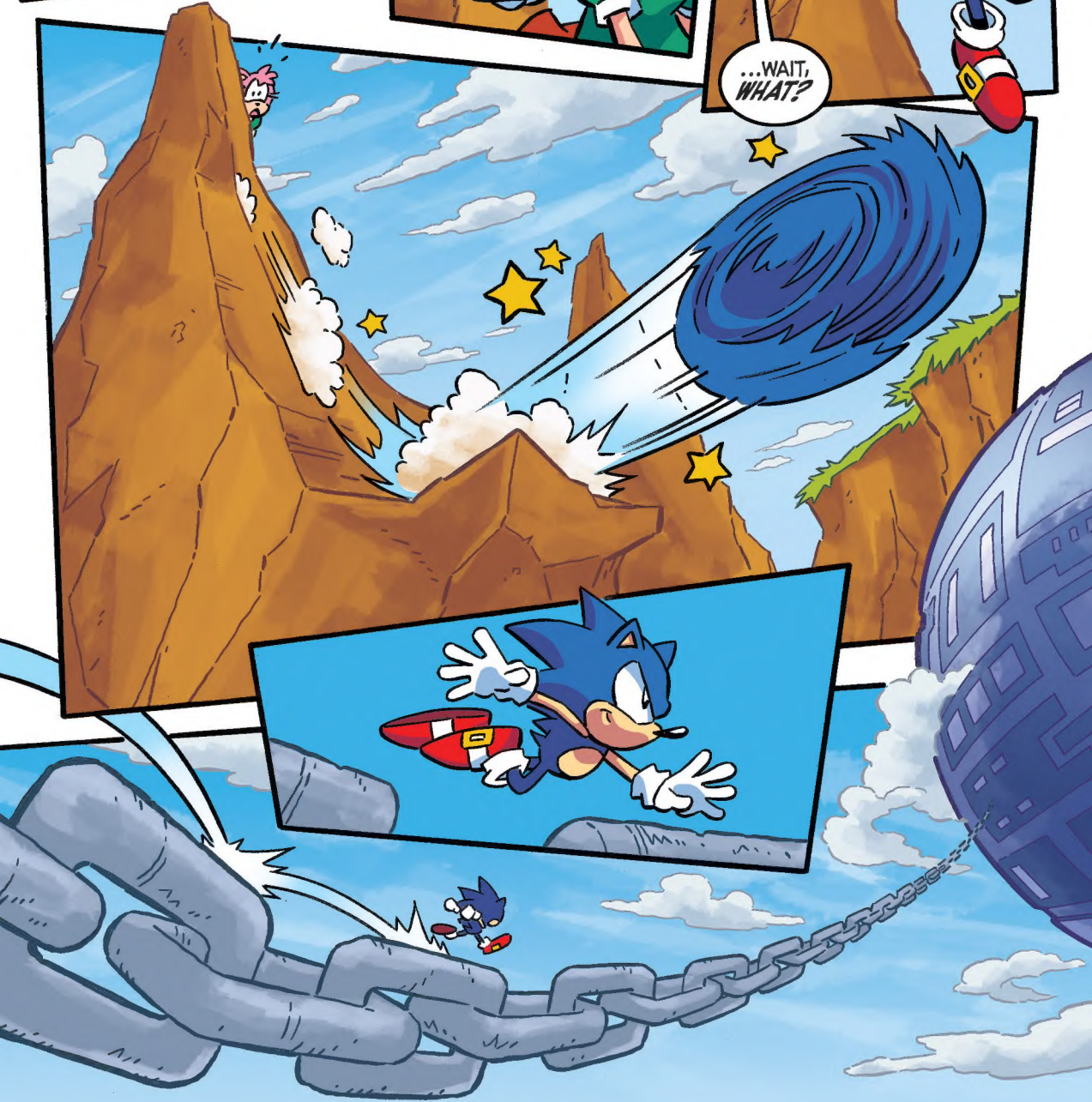
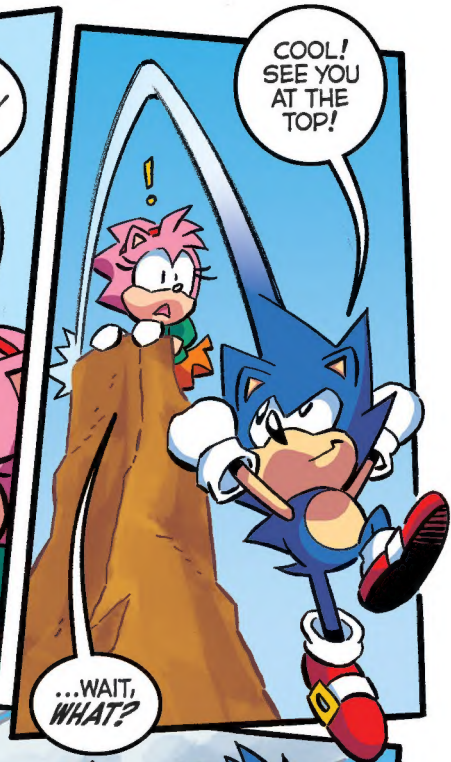


HUFF!  
ERK!  
HRNK!

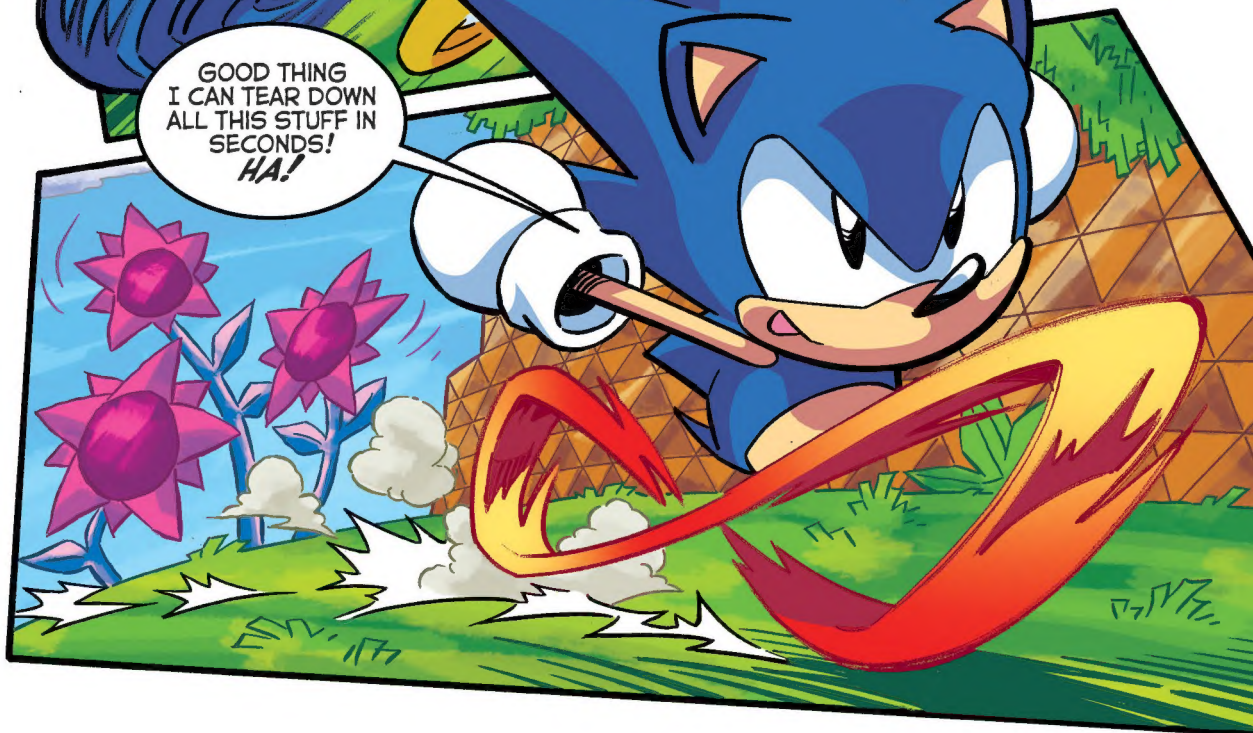
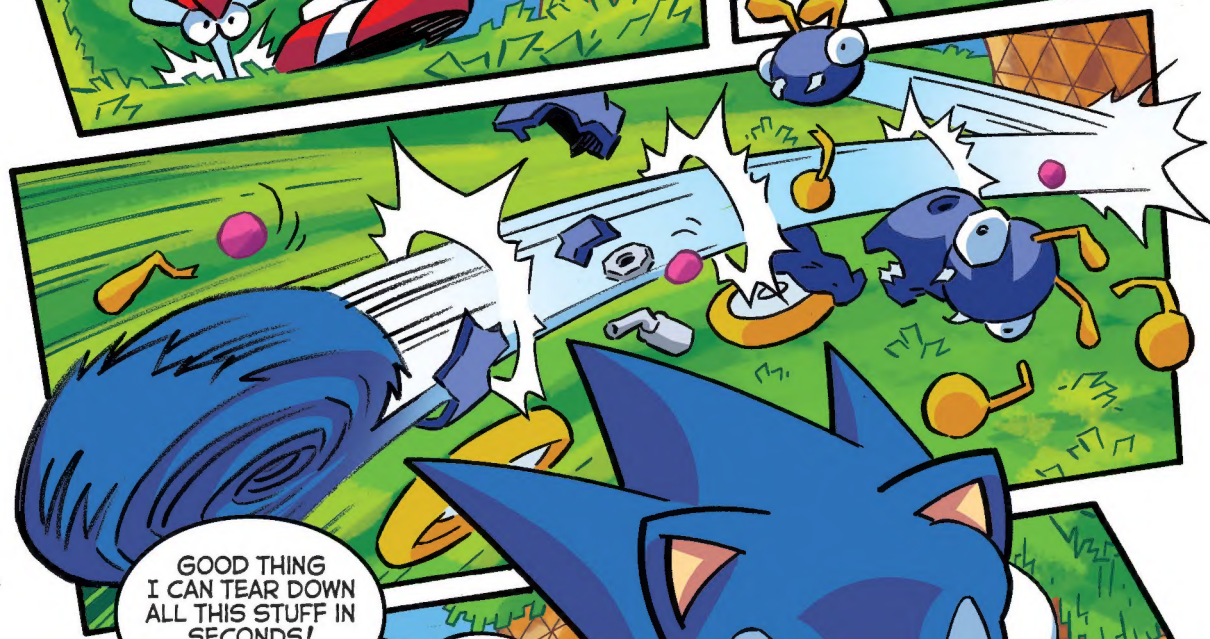














WHAT DO YOU *MEAN*, YOU'RE "BEHIND SCHEDULE," SNIVELY?!

REPAIR WORK WOULD BE GOING MUCH FASTER IF OUR FORCES WEREN'T SPLIT BETWEEN THE DEATH EGG AND THAT FRIVOLOUS AMUSEMENT PARK OF YOURS!

I TOLD YOU! CARNIVAL NIGHT IS TACTICALLY IMPORTANT!

*SIGH*—OF COURSE IT IS, SIR. I'LL DO WHAT I CAN. BUT BETWEEN THE LIMITED SUPPLIES AND THE NATIVE ASKING QUESTIONS--

AW, THAT'S SWEET! LONG-DISTANCE RELATIONSHIPS CAN BE TOUGH, BUT I'M SURE YOU TWO WILL WORK IT OUT.

YOU AGAIN?! THINK YOU CAN STOP MY PLANS THIS TIME, YOU ARROGANT URCHIN?!

UH...

WELL, THINK AGAIN! THE POWER OF THE FABLED TIME STONES WILL BE MINE! AND ONCE I REWRITE HISTORY, ALL THE MINOR SETBACKS YOU DEALT ME WON'T JUST BE HISTORY--THEY WON'T BE *AT ALL*!

...YOU WERE HERE COMPLETELY BY ACCIDENT.

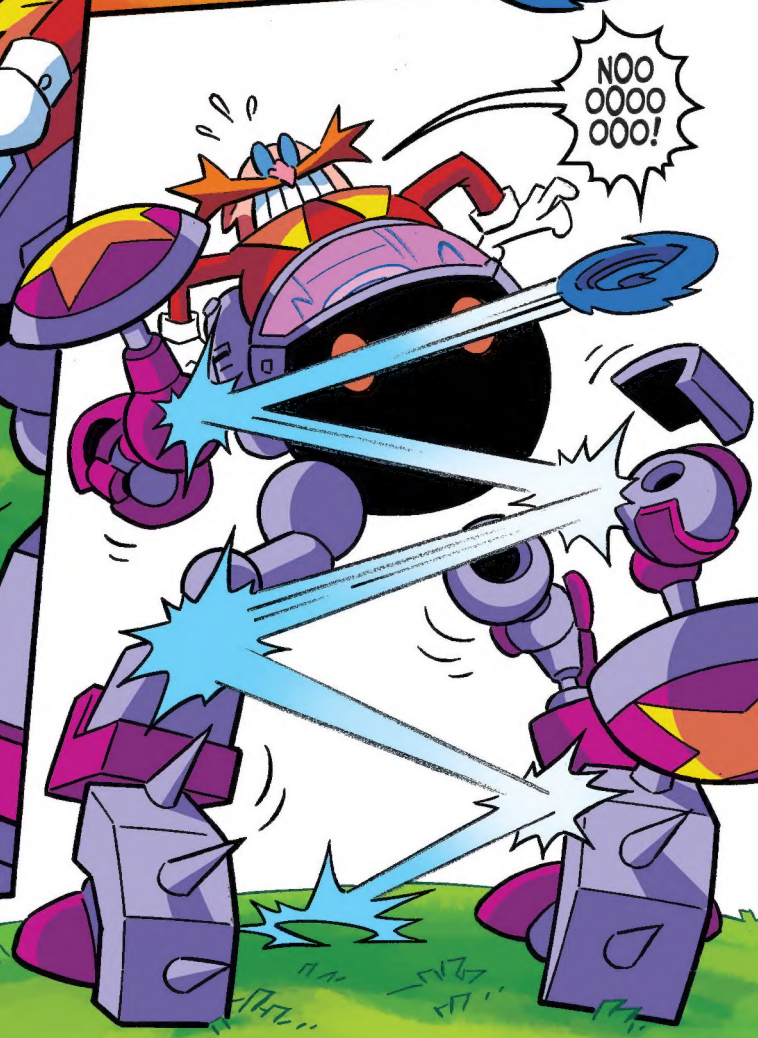
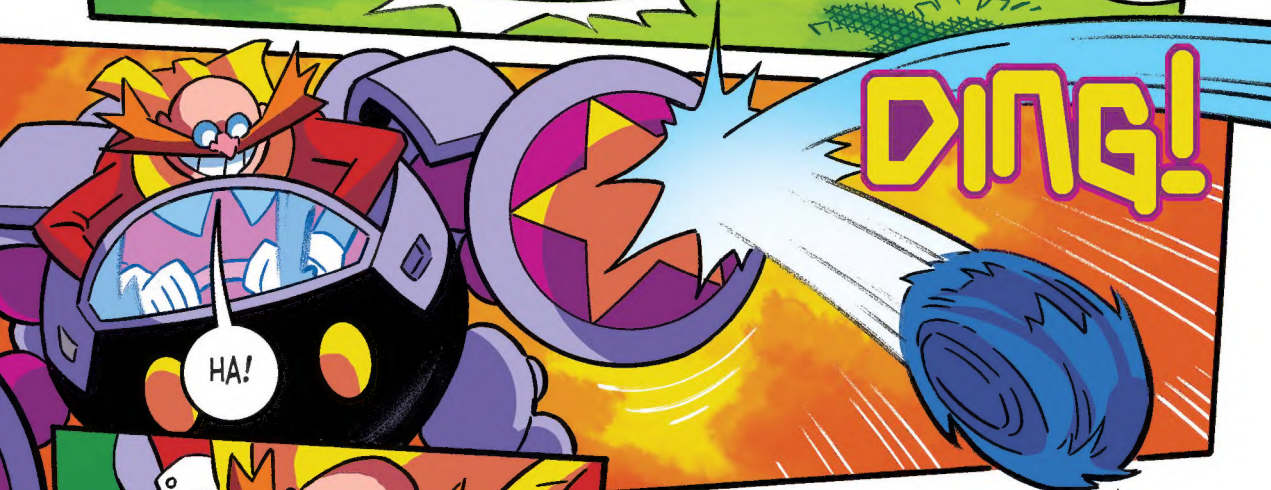
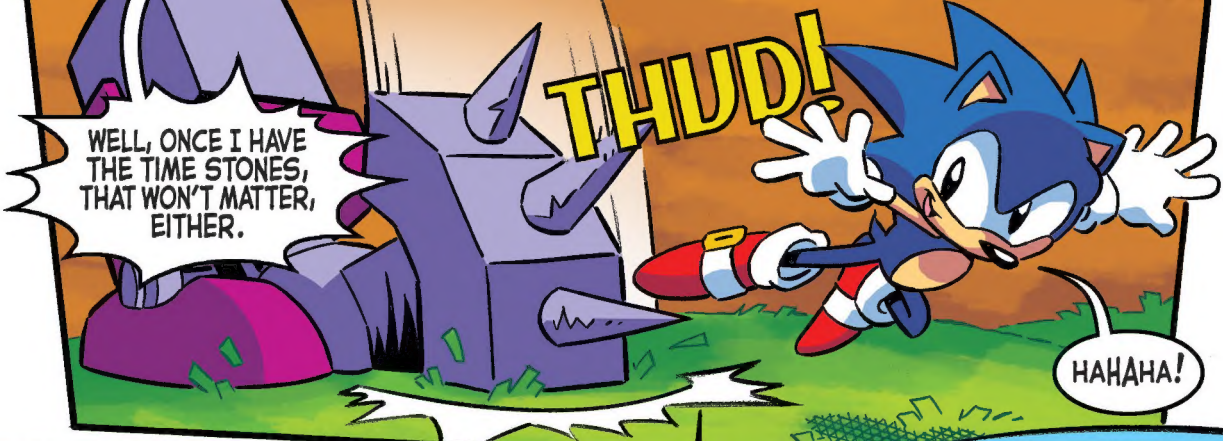
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AND I JUST SPILLED MY PLAN TO YOU.

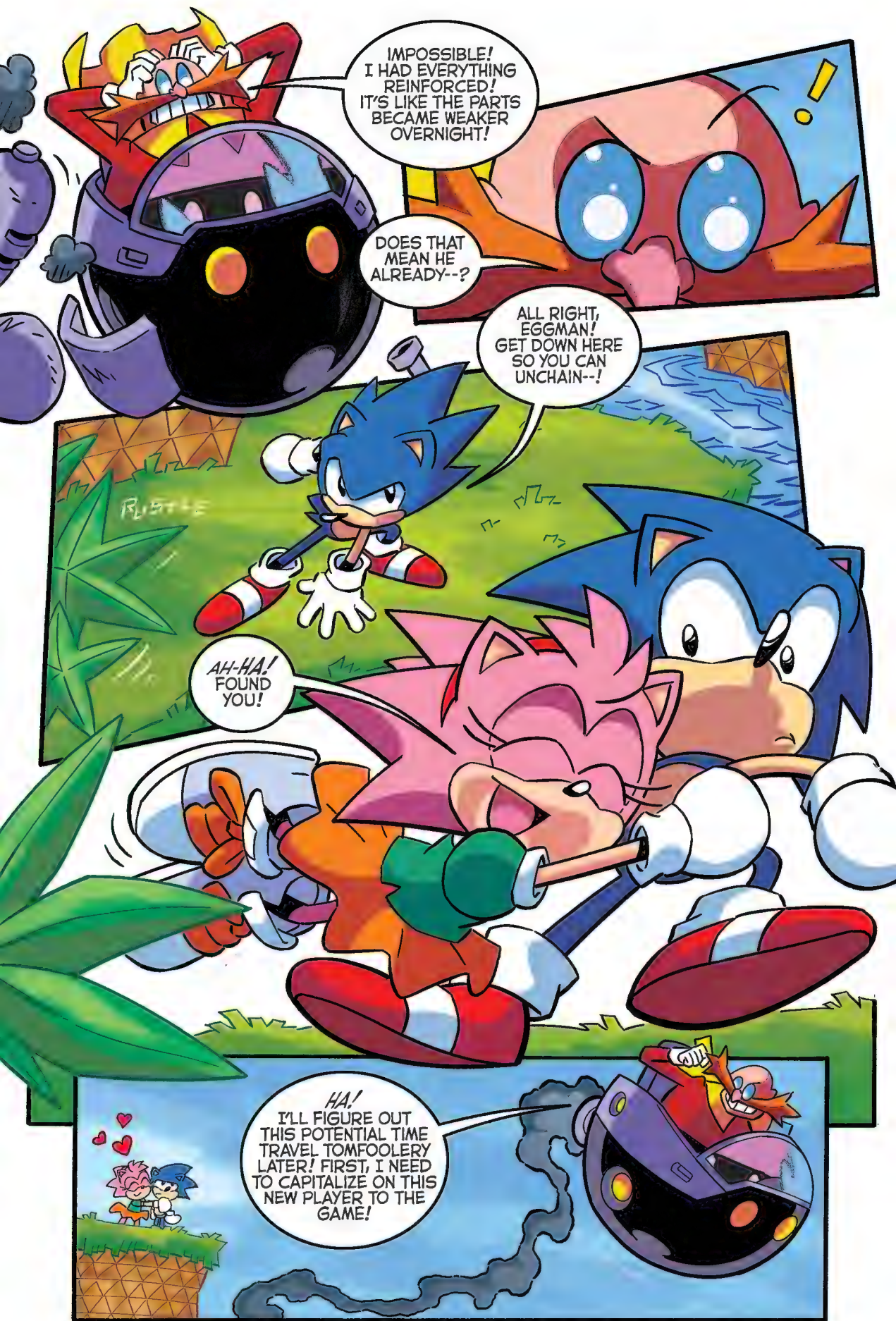
ALSO, YUP!

WELL, *PHOOEY*!









IMPOSSIBLE!  
I HAD EVERYTHING  
REINFORCED!  
IT'S LIKE THE PARTS  
BECAME WEAKER  
OVERNIGHT!

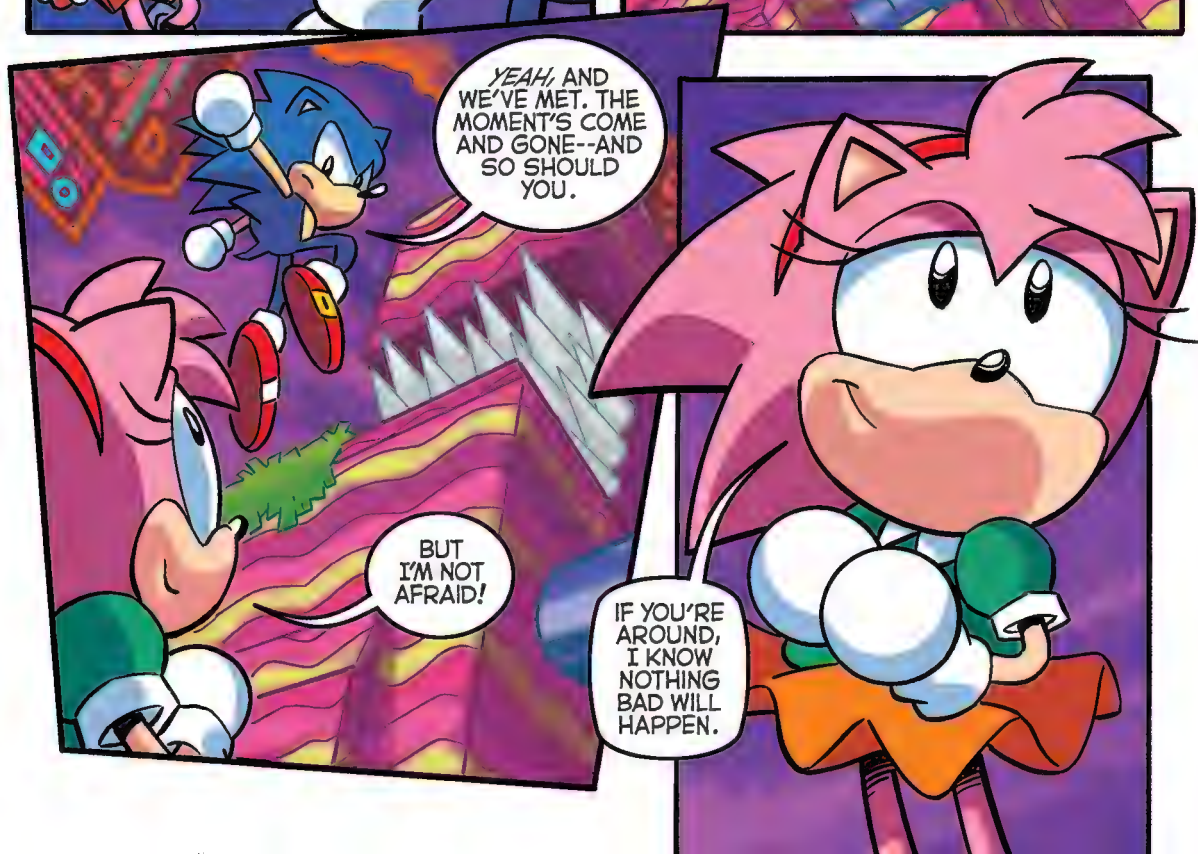
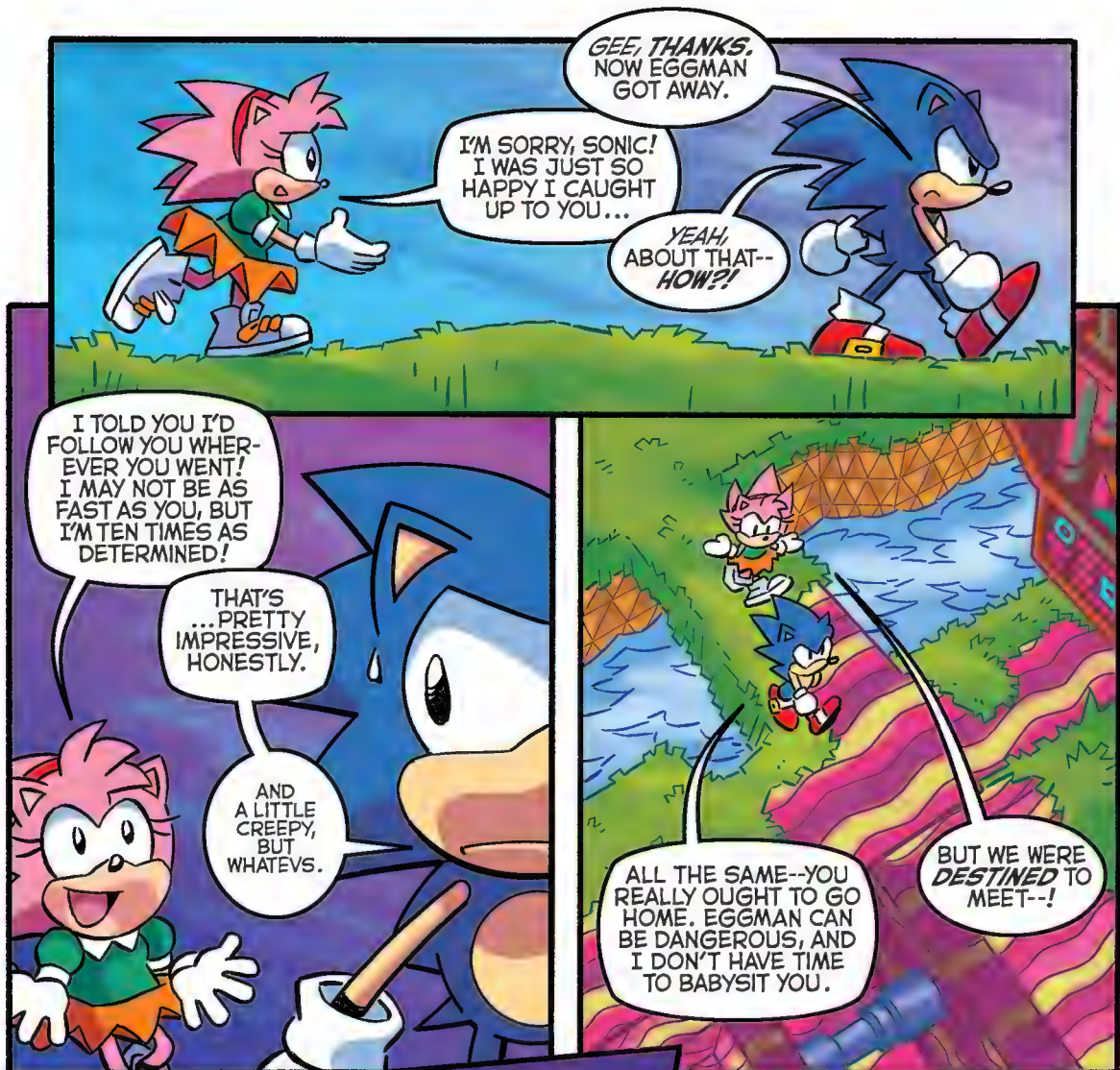
DOES THAT  
MEAN HE  
ALREADY--?

ALL RIGHT,  
EGGMAN!  
GET DOWN HERE  
SO YOU CAN  
UNCHAIN--!

AH-HA!  
FOUND  
YOU!

HA!  
I'LL FIGURE OUT  
THIS POTENTIAL TIME  
TRAVEL TOMFOOLERY  
LATER! FIRST, I NEED  
TO CAPITALIZE ON THIS  
NEW PLAYER TO THE  
GAME!

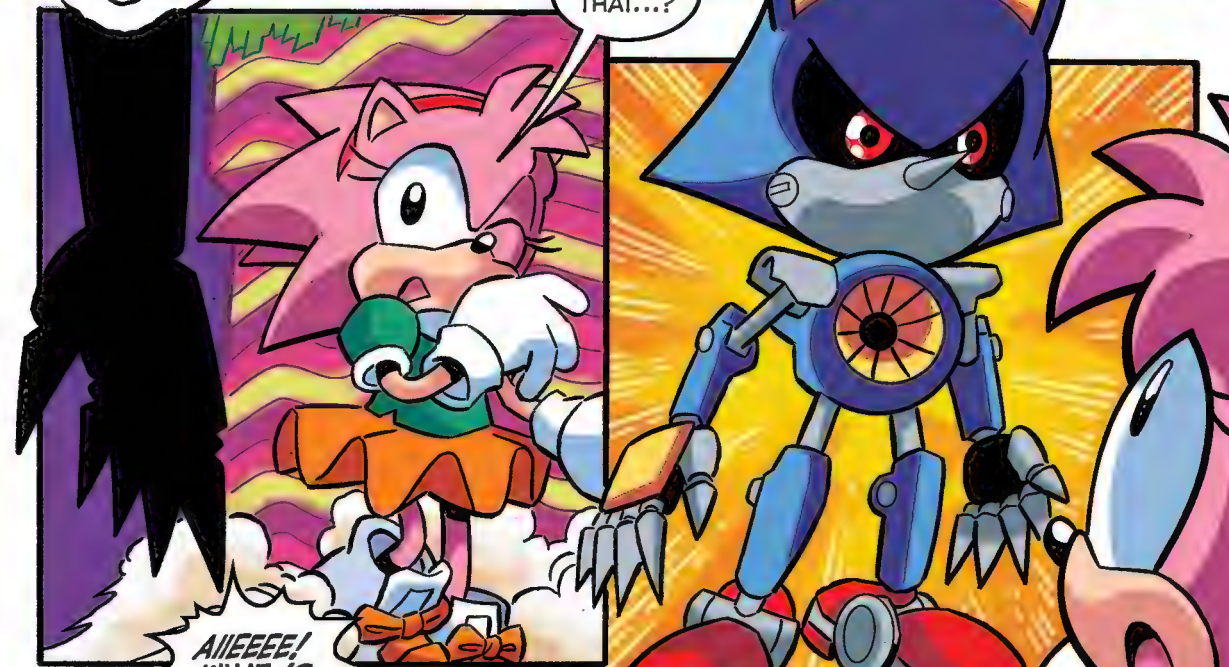




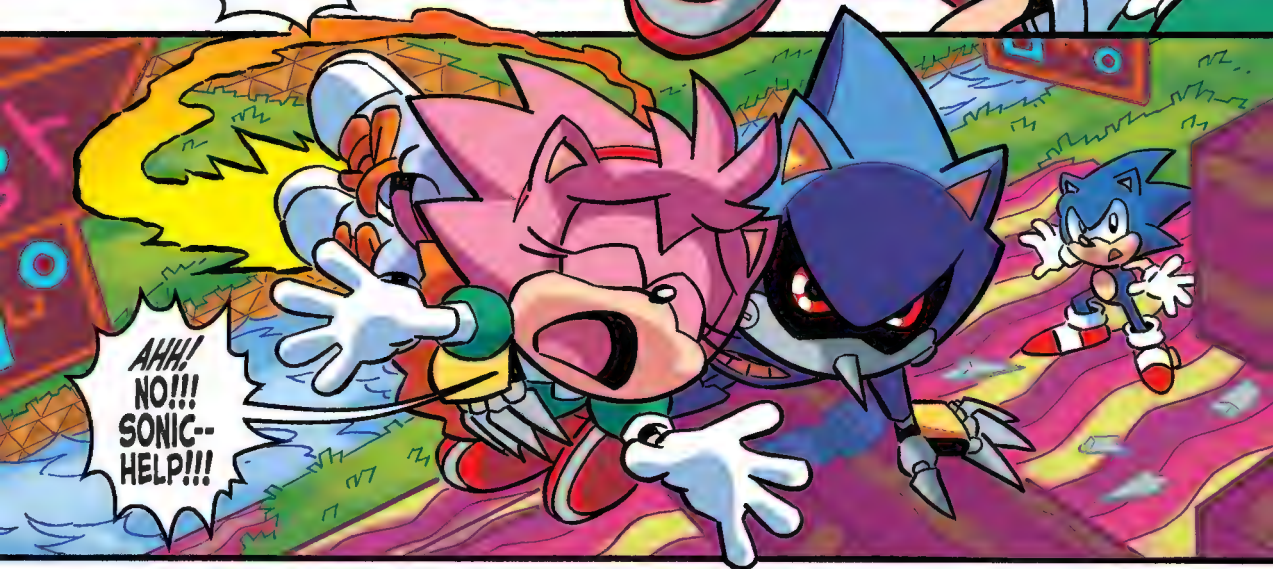




WHAT WAS THAT...?



AIIEEEE!  
WHAT IS THAT!?



AHH!  
NO!!!  
SONIC--  
HELP!!!

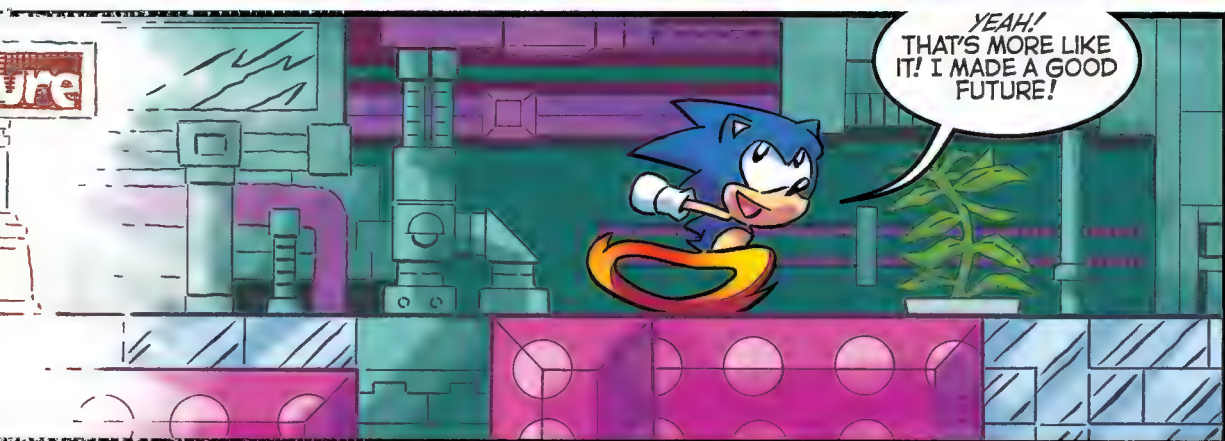
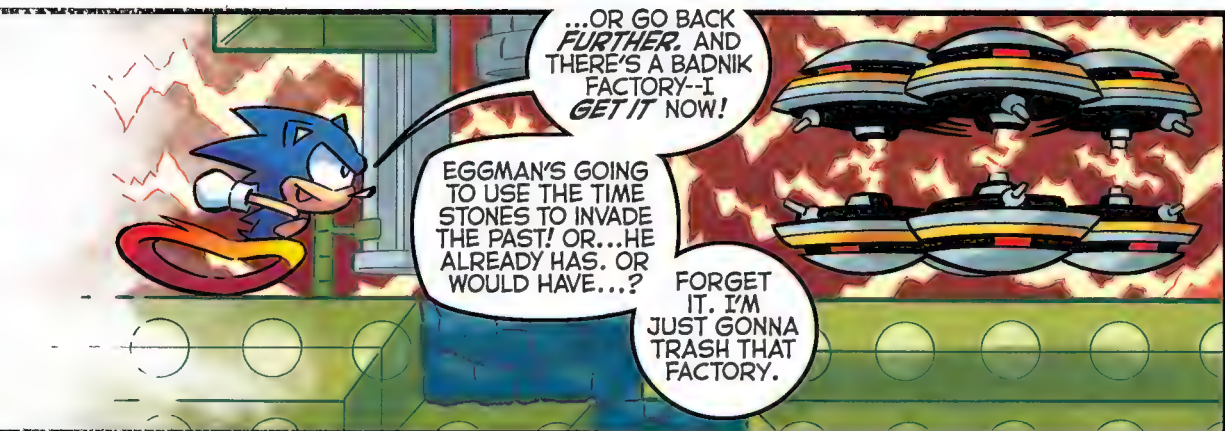




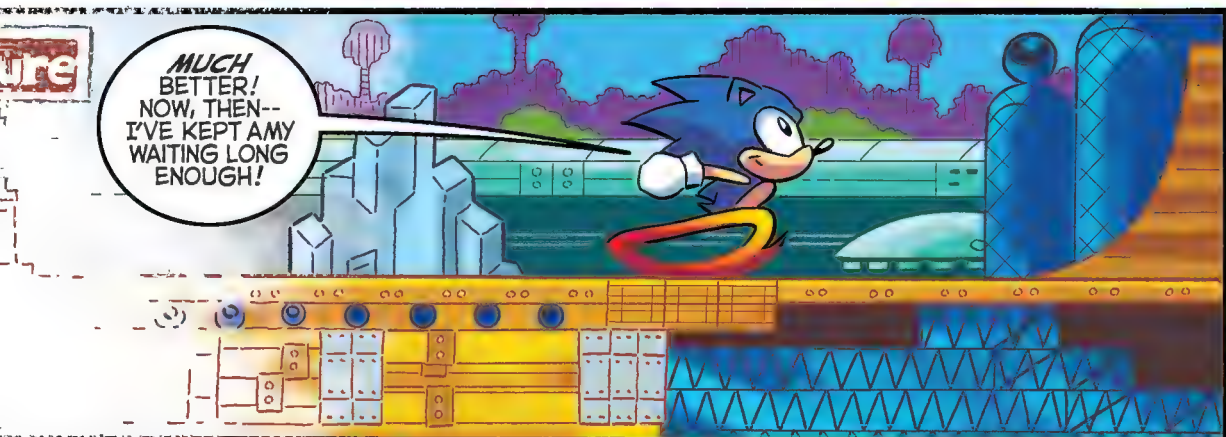
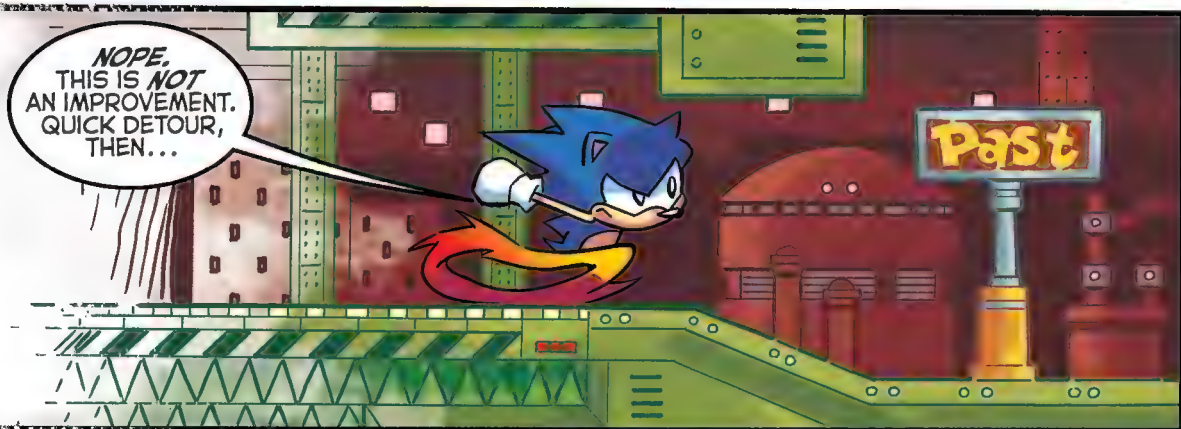
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THING WAS...  
***FAST...***



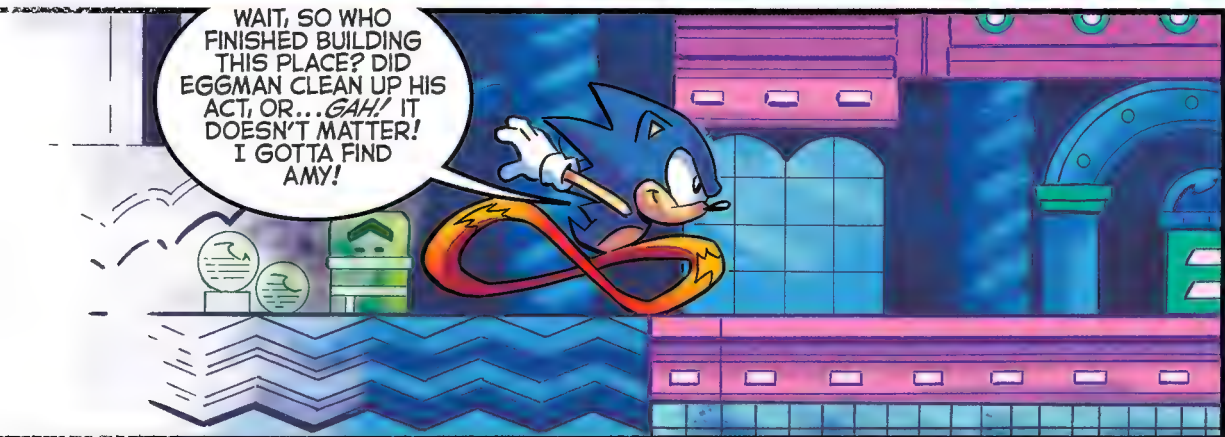
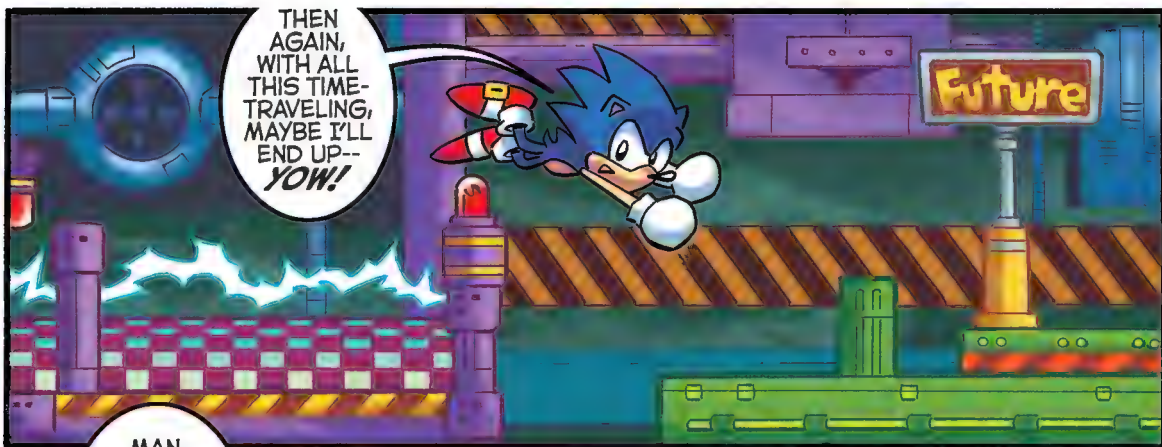




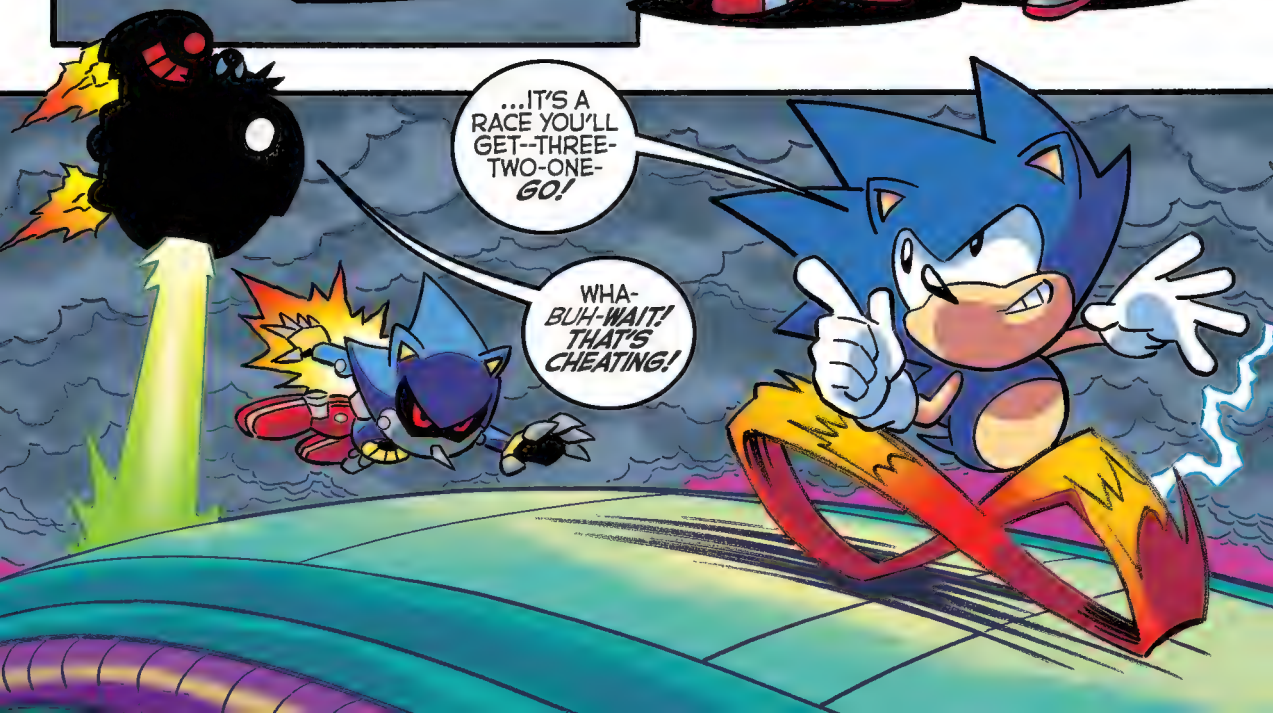
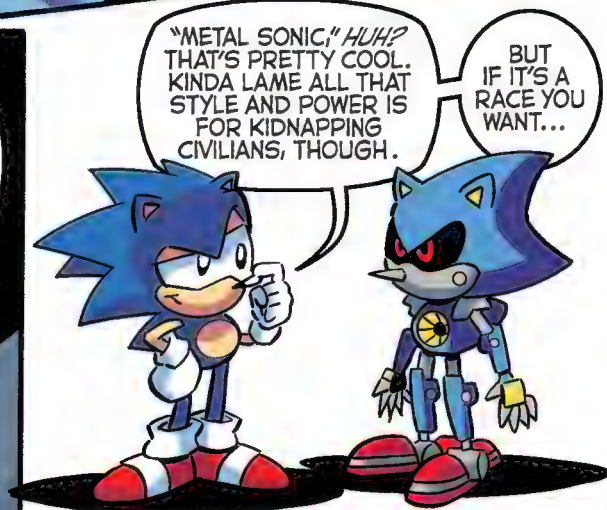
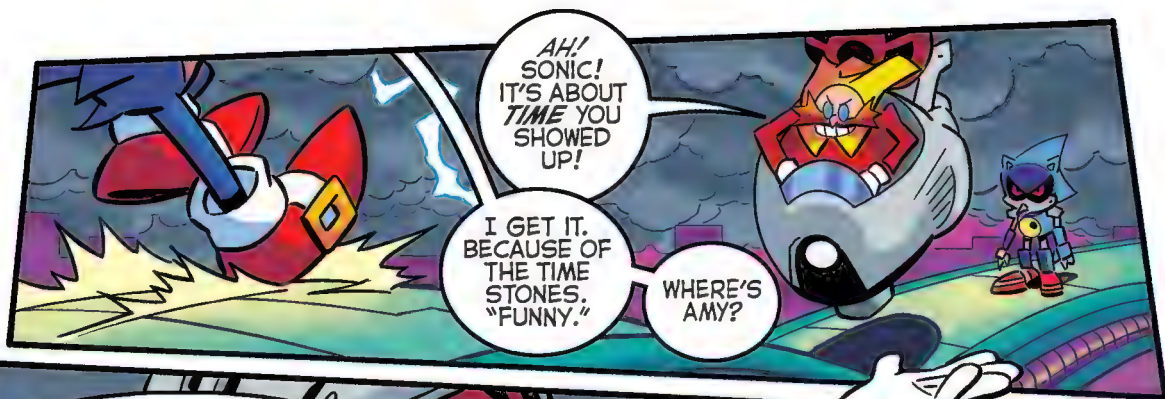










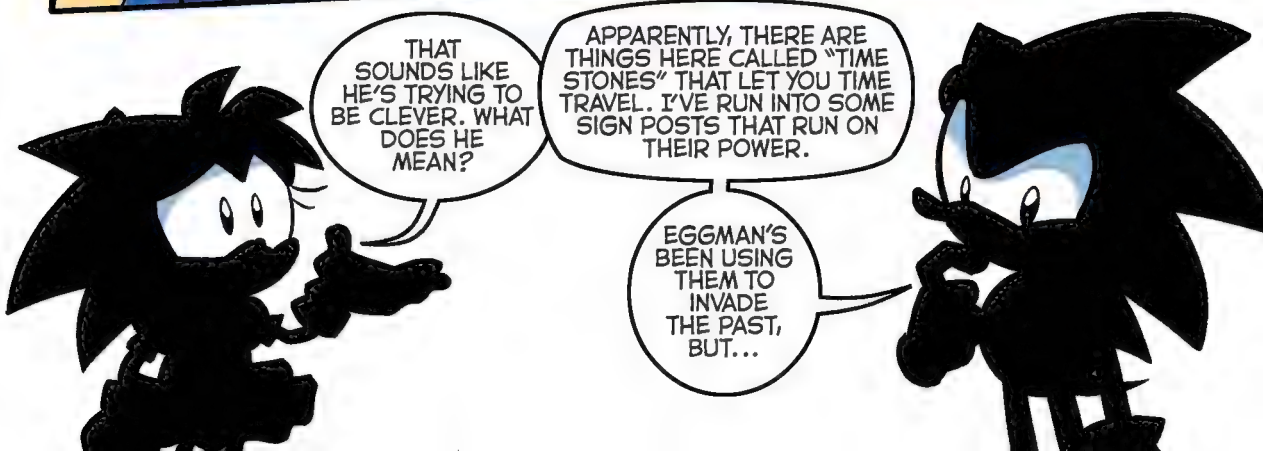
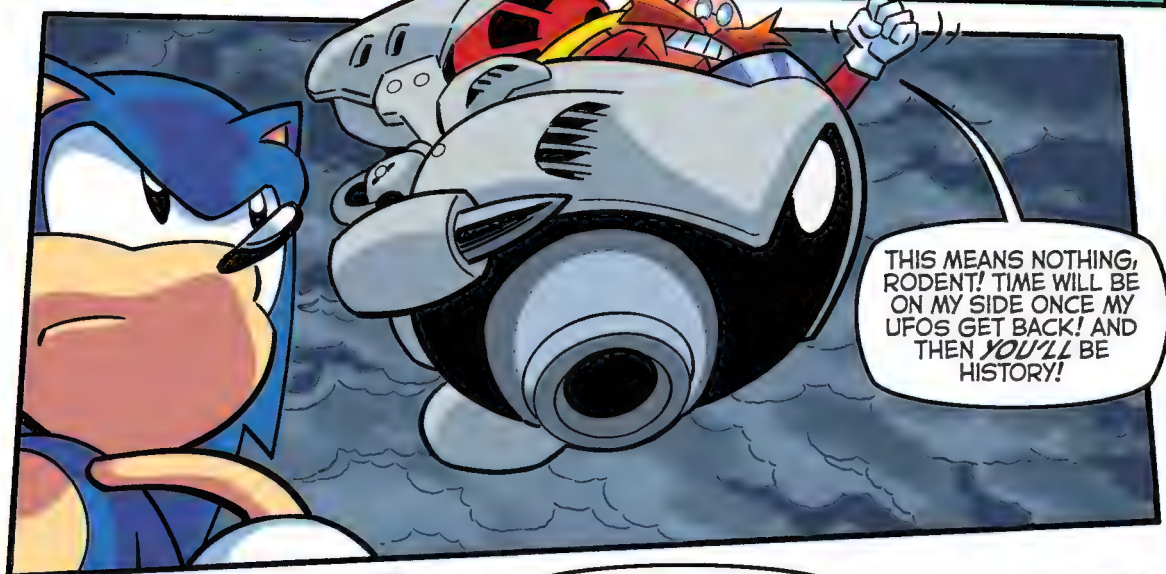
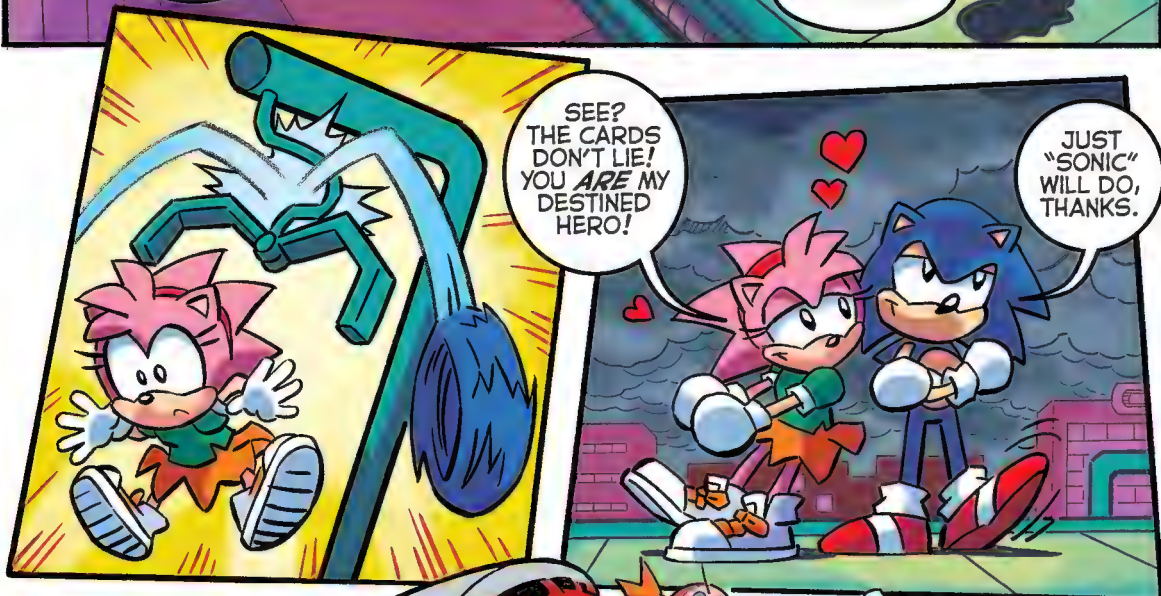
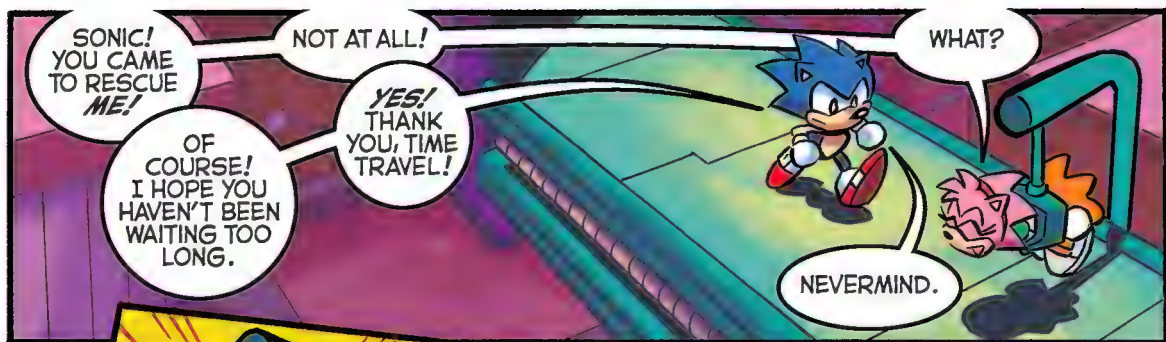




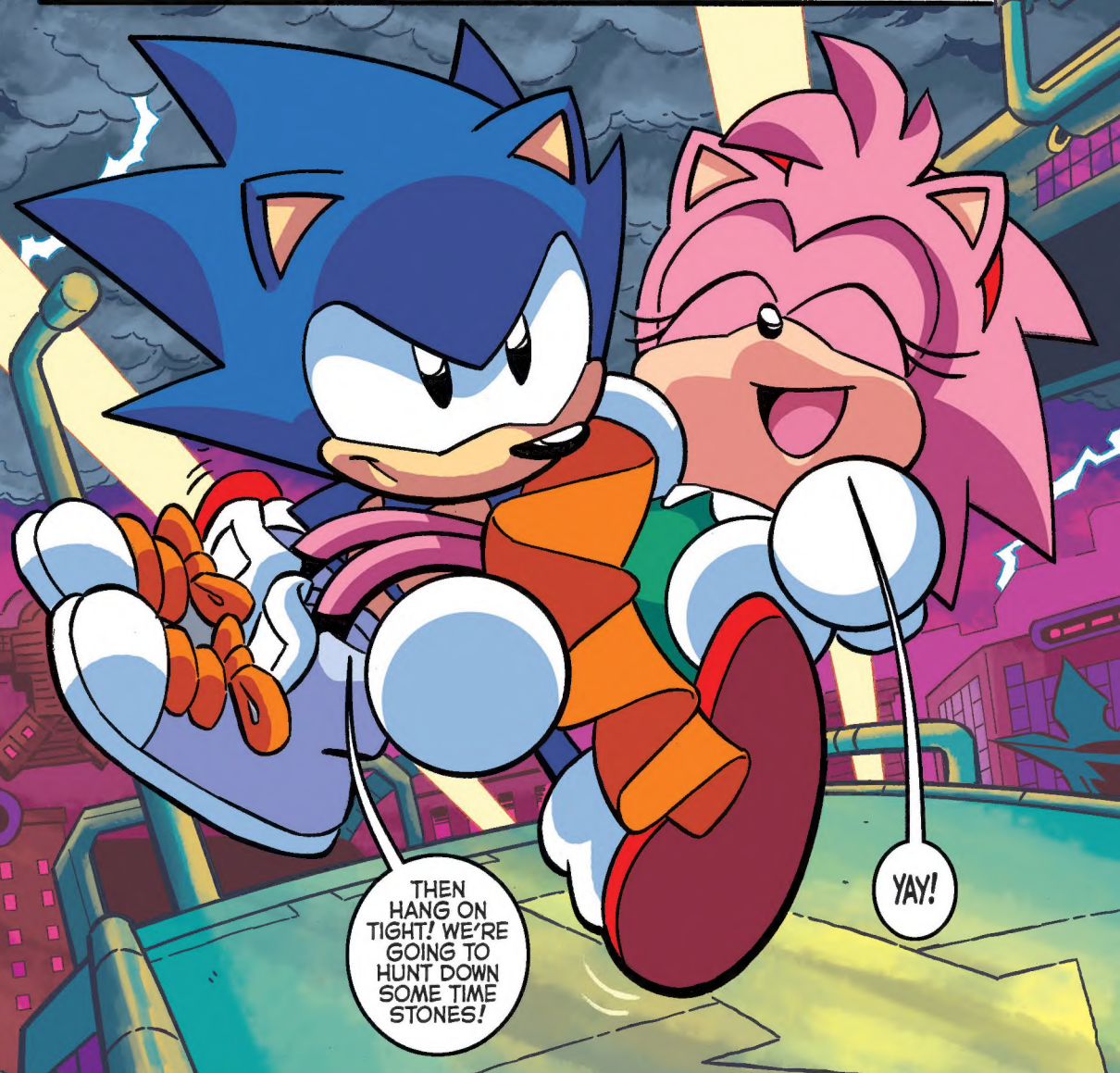


YOU'VE GOT NO ROOM TO TALK, YA KIDNAPPING CREEP!









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NEXT TIME, THE **DEATH EGG SAGA** CONTINUES!

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# Letter from the EDITOR

*Editorial commentary that keeps you running faster and saves the planet from disaster!*

## TIME AFTER TIME

Hey-ho, Sonic fans! If you're a long-time reader or super collector, you may have noticed something familiar about this issue. But what could it be? Lets see... we have Amy Rose, Little Planet, time travel and Metal Sonic... HEY! This is just Sonic #25 again, isn't it?

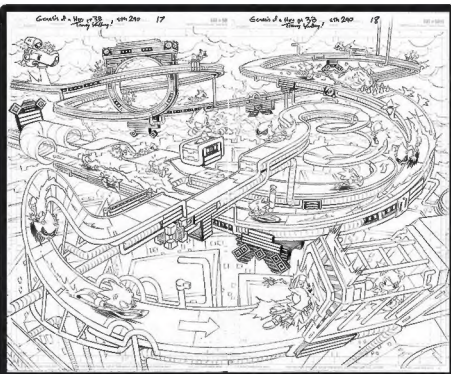
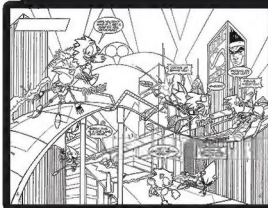
The answer is "YES" & "NO"!



Gabriel Cassata did a wonderful job honoring the painterly style of Sonic CD's animations!



RIGHT: The amazing 2-page spread race scene pencilled by Tracy Yardley! I ran around the office and showed everyone when it came in 'cause I was so excited!



LEFT: STH #25's awesome 2-page spread by Patrick Spaziante!

While the original Sonic CD adaption was awesome and fun, we decided to stay even closer to the original game this go-around. What did you think? Which issue do you prefer? Let me know! Or don't. The choices are yours and yours alone!

Now if you'll excuse me, I have some Time Stones to find!

— Vincent "Vin" Lovallo  
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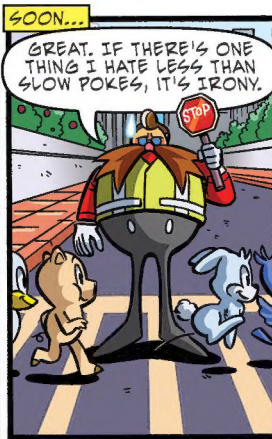


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